Explanations of Officers re Appointments made.

148. **MR. P. HABEEB MAHOMED** (*Nominated*): (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether the officers concerned have submitted their explanations called for in their Order R. Dis. No. 458/25/G. A., dated the 27th April, 1925?

(*b*) If so, will the Government be pleased to place on the table a copy of the same?

MR. K. NARAYANAN PANDALAY (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*)
(*a*) Explanations are coming in.
(*b*) The answer is in the negative.

Action taken on the conduct of Heads of Departments in respect of Appointments made by them.

149. **MR. N. KUMARAN** (*Nominated*): (*a*) Have Government called for and obtained explanations from Heads of Departments who have meted out unequal treatment to applicants for appointments from members of different communities, as was promised by the Chief Secretary to Government in his speech in the Council reported at page 1050, Vol. VI, of the *Proceedings*?

(*b*) If the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, will the Government be pleased to place copies of them on the table and tell the House what action they have taken on them?

MR. K. NARAYANAN PANDALAY (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*):
(*a*) Explanations are coming in.
(*b*) The answer is in the negative.

MR. N. KUMARAN (*Nominated*): The answer to part (*a*) is: "Explanations are coming in". I do not quite understand the meaning of this answer. Am I to take it that Government are receiving explanations, that is, that they have not finished receiving explanations, and that therefore they have not begun to consider the question?

MR. K. NARAYANAN PANDALAY (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): No; they have not considered the whole question.

The Trivandrum Pier.

150. **MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI** (*Commerce and Industry, South*): Will the Government be pleased to state in what stage the work in connection with the erection of sheds for the storage of cargo at the Trivandrum pier is and when it will be completed?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The materials required have been arranged for and good progress has been made in the manufacture of roof trusses. The work is being expedited.

MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI (*Commerce and Industry, South*): With reference to the answer given, may I know when the work was commenced?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): What is stated is that the materials required have been arranged for.

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MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI (*Commerce and Industry, South*): I wish to know when the work was commenced?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): Last year.

Revision of the Educational Policy.

151. **MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI** (*Commerce and Industry, South*): (*a*) Are the Government aware that the nature of education imparted at present in the State is primarily responsible for the increasing seriousness of the problem of unemployment among the educated classes?

(*b*) If so, will the Government be pleased to state whether they are prepared to appoint a committee to revise their educational system with a view to solve the problem?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): Government are considering the whole question.

MR. S PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI (*Commerce and Industry, South*): With reference to answer to part (*a*), may I read my question? My question is:

> "Are the Government *aware* that the nature of education imparted at present in the State is primarily responsible for the increasing seriousness of the problem of unemployment among the educated classes".

Government say that Government are considering the whole question. Am I to understand that the Government are considering the question of replying me whether they are aware of it?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The whole question is under consideration.

MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI (*Commerce and Industry, South*): My question is whether Government are aware or not aware?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The information given by the member is noted and it will also be considered when examining the general question.

Financial Secretary's Statements in regard to Trade Depression.

152. **MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI** (*Commerce and Industry South*): With reference to the answer given to me by the Financial Secretary during the Budget session of 1100, *viz*,. "that there was depression of trade is a statement that the Member makes. I have no positive information as to that" (P. 213, No. 4, Vol. VII), will the Government be pleased to state whether the following statements "I do not deny the fact that there is still trade depression..... The trade boom which followed on the Armistice was succeeded by a period of acute trade depression and the collapse of several business concerns (P. 19, No. 1, Vol. III), "the disturbance to trade and production will also affect our receipts under all the other main heads of Revenue" (P. 49, No. 2, Vol. V), and "This was due to the dislocation of trade and business" (P. 25, No. 2, Vol. VII), made by the Financial Secretary in 1098, 1099 and 1100 respectively, before the Legislative Council, are given on "positive information" or not?

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